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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CAIRNEY, John et al.

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For: DIFFERENTIALLY EXPRESSED
CONIFER cDNAs, AND THEIR USE IN
IMPROVING SOMATIC EMBRYOGENESIS

Art Unit: 1631

Examiner: LY, Cheyne D.

Docket No.: 07648.0023

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed May 19, 2005, to which a response is due November 21, 2005, by virtue of November 19, 2005 being a Saturday, and the petition for six months extension of time and the required fee, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments to the claims and remarks.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on November 21, 2005.

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